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Date: June 10, 2025

To: Members of the Common Council

From: Adam Tegen, Community Development Director; Brock Wetenkamp, Parks Planner; Eric Nycz, City Attorney

Re: City Parkland Purchase - Sylvan Drive

City staff has come to an agreement to purchase a parcel at the end of Sylvan Drive (parcel ID 052-814-103-081.00) adjacent to the River Heights Park to enhance public access to River Heights Park.

This parcel is an ideal location for a future trailhead and parking area for River Heights Park. Currently, the only public parking available for this park is on-street parking on Sylvan Drive. A designated parking area along with proper signage and trail marking will increase the public accessibility of this park.

In discussions with the Finance Department, City staff has identified the Payment in Lieu of Parkland Dedication fund as the appropriate funding source for the purchase of this property. Manitowoc Municipal Code 21.030(4)(f)(5) outlines use of funds in which site acquisition of new parkland is one of the approved uses.

The Seller's Agent, Augie Richter, verbally agreed to sell the land to the City for the listed sale price of \$59,900.00. Plan Commission has already approved the purchase.

City staff are requesting final approval to purchase the parcel as stated above.

Thank you for the consideration.